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New Augusta Traffic Signal...

Signal on Walton Way Going to Flash Mode

AUGUSTA- The Georgia Department of Transportation announces a new traffic signal is scheduled to go into flash mode at 10 a.m. next **Tuesday, June 30** at the intersection of State Route 4/Walton Way and D'Antignac Street. To start this new traffic signal, the Georgia DOT will turn it on a flash mode until **Tuesday, July 7**. The signal will then be fully operational that morning, if weather permits and testing goes well. Augusta-Richmond County Traffic Engineering will oversee the proper signal operations once this light is up and running.

The Department urges motorists and pedestrians alike to be aware of a new traffic environment in this area. Be patient and cautious as everyone gets accustomed to the signal.

If an operational traffic signal happens to malfunction, motorists should proceed with caution if they are facing a flashing yellow light and yield to vehicles and pedestrians already in the intersection. A flashing red light means motorists should come to a complete stop, just like at a stop sign. If power is out and the traffic signals are off, please treat the intersection as an all-way stop. When it is safe to do so, please call 511 or visit <u>511ga.org</u> to report the malfunction to the Georgia DOT.

DriveAlert ArriveAlive calls attention to an alarming increase in roadway fatalities across Georgia, many resulting from preventable crashes and distracted driving. **DriveAlert ArriveAlive** implores motorists to buckle up; stay off the phone and no texting; and drive alert. Visit www.dot.ga.gov/DS/SafetyOperation/DAAA. #ArriveAliveGA

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